

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 2159 - HB 2118**

February 9, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a regulatory and permitting process related to the transportation of hazardous materials on public roads into, out of, and through Tennessee. The Department of Safety would promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of the bill. The Department of Environment and Conservation would establish and operate a program for general or specific licensing of persons to handle radioactive materials. Establishes that a violation of any provision of this bill would be a Class C misdemeanor.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$1,243,050 One-Time**  
**\$611,660 Recurring**  
**Increase State Revenues - \$700,000**  
**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**  
**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant**

Revenues: Assumes the number of carriers and/or individuals engaged in this transportation will be 3,000 @ \$100 per permit. Assumes there will be 200 annual shipments @ \$2000 per cask carrying spent nuclear fuel or high level radioactive waste.

Expenditures: Assumes Safety would need to employ/equip 7 commercial vehicle enforcement officers and 4 administrative/clerical staff to carry out their responsibilities. Assumes Environment and Conservation would need to employ/equip an additional 2 Health Physicists and 2 clerical employees.

Impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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